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Group II: claim 11;

Group III: claim 13.

As an examination of the claims will confirm, at least the subject matter of the claims of Groups I, II and III all comprise overlapping subject matter, viz., the identity of certain of the materials encompassed by the Group I claims. Due to the closely related subject matter of the Group II and Group III claims, it is believed that there would be no undue burden placed upon the Examiner in performing a single search which would be commensurate with the scope of the claimed invention for *all* of the currently pending claims, and thus obviate the Examiner's basis for a restriction between the three groups of claims. Indeed it is questioned how a search of the Group II and/or Group III claims may be meaningfully carried out without inherently including the search parameters which would be needed to review the prior art relative to the subject matter of the Group I claims ?

Nonetheless, if the Examiner does not withdraw the outstanding *Restriction Requirement*, the applicant provisionally elects the following with TRAVERSE the:

Group I: claims 1-10, 12 and 14-18.

The applicant expressly reserves their right to reinstate any non-elected subject matter indicated this paper in a later filed application, or alternately, re-enter the presently non-elected claims as dependent claims written to encompass limitations of allowable claims and request rejoinder of the Group II and/or Group III claims at a later time.

The applicant also TRAVERSES the Examiner's requirement to elect a specific "species" of the solvents of claims 4, 14 and 15. The subject matter of each of these claims is based on an independent claim, which independent claim is not specifically limited to one of the solvents identified in any of dependent claims 4, 14 and 15, and as such it is